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TO : Chief, Basic School

DATE: 22 May 1956

FROM : Chief, Orientation &amp; Briefing/BS/TR

SUBJECT: Items of Interest for the Period  
15 May 1956 to 22 May 1956

1. Final arrangements have been made with the Department of State to comply with the special request for the briefing of Mid-Careerists. This is being scheduled for Tuesday afternoon, 5 June 1956.
- 25X1 2. The 15th Dependents' Briefing Program [ ] was completed on 25X1 Tuesday 15 May 1956. Though the audience was small, as the group [ ] always is, (total of 12), they were very alert and knowledgeable. Some had been abroad before and their observations lent a profitable and realistic touch to the discussion.
- 25X1 3. When this Dependents' Briefing Program was completed, Chief/OB/BS told 25X1 [ ] that he was quite optimistic regarding the contract to compensate her for her services. Two days later, [ ] called Chief/OB/BS to find out what progress was being made. Chief/OB/BS spoke to [ ] who promised that he would have this attended to promptly. 25X1 The delay in finalizing these arrangements is now proving embarrassing.
- 25X1 4. [ ] FE, gave Chief/OB/BS a thorough background for the special briefing to be conducted on 4 June 1956 for the key personality from Vietnam.
5. Chief/OB/BS arranged with the DDI to present the introductory remarks at the 8th Departmental Briefing.
6. Chief/OB/BS conducted a special briefing for the Junior Foreign Service Officer of the Department of State on Wednesday afternoon, 16 May 1956. As on past occasions this particular Foreign Service audience proved very alert.
7. Chief/OB/BS lectured to the current class at the Strategic Intelligence School on Thursday, 17 May 1956.
8. Mr. Robert King, Executive Assistant to the Vice President of the United States, in which capacity he spends much time with representatives of the National Security Council, expressed a wish to Chief/OB/BS to get a special briefing. Chief/OB/BS brought this to the attention of the Inspector General and recommended that Mr. King be included in the Departmental Briefing. The IG was in favor of the idea and, after consulting the DCI, invited Mr. King to be present.

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9.  of OCI consulted Chief/OB/BS regarding ideas which might be presented to the National Security Agency on the use of that Agency's products by CIA.
10. Much work was done with the Security Office to attain clearances for persons attending the Departmental Briefing and the special program to be conducted for the W.O.C. personnel of the Department of Commerce.

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